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a fastener having a head portion and a cylindrical body portion extending therefrom and terminating at a distal end opposite said head portion; and

wherein said body portion extends through said first and second apertures and is plastically deformed so that the body portion is expanded outwardly within the first and second apertures to engage the first and second links within the first and second apertures whereby the fastener secures the first and second links to allow relative rotational movement between the first and second links while preventing relative linear motion therebetween; and

wherein said linkage assembly is operably connected to said seat track to move said seat track.

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12. (amended) A vehicle seat mounting assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the cylindrical body portion has an external diameter and said head portion is enlarged such that the head portion extends radially outward beyond the external diameter of the body portion.

13. (amended) A vehicle seat mounting assembly comprising, in combination:

at least one movable seat track;

a linkage assembly including:

a first link having a first external surface, a first internal surface, and a first aperture extending between the first external surface and the first internal surface;

a second link having a second external surface, a second internal surface, and a second aperture extending between the second external surface and the second internal surface;

a fastener having a head portion and a body portion extending outwardly from said head portion and defining an external diameter, said body portion being generally cylindrical and having a central bore with an internal diameter, and the central bore has a length which is greater than the first thickness and less than the first thickness and the second thickness combined; and

wherein said body portion extends through said first and second apertures and is plastically deformed so that the body portion is expanded outwardly within the first and second apertures to engage the first and second links within the first and second apertures whereby the fastener secures the first and second links to allow relative rotational movement between the first and second links while preventing relative linear motion therebetween; and

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wherein said linkage assembly is operably connected to said seat track to move said seat track.

Please add new claims 21 to 25 in the following manner:

21. (new) A vehicle seat mounting assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the fastener secures the first and second links to allow relative rotational movement between the first and second links while preventing relative linear motion therebetween in all directions perpendicular to a direction the fastener is extending through the first and second links.

22. (new) A vehicle seat mounting assembly as recited in claim 3, wherein the distal end of the body portion is plastically deformed to form the lip.

23. (new) A vehicle seat mounting assembly as recited in claim 3, wherein the lip secures the first and second links to allow relative rotational movement between the first and second links while preventing relative linear motion therebetween in a direction the fastener is extending through the first and second links.

24. (new) A vehicle seat mounting assembly as recited in claim 13, wherein the fastener secures the first and second links to allow relative rotational movement between the first and second links while preventing relative linear motion therebetween in all directions perpendicular to a direction the fastener is extending through the first and second links.

25. (new) A vehicle seat mounting assembly as recited in claim 16, wherein the lip secures the first and second links to allow relative rotational movement between the first and second links while preventing relative linear motion therebetween in a direction the fastener is extending through the first and second links.